Use of Electrospark Deposition for Repair of Navy Components

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Targeted Applications

- Steering & Diving Control Rods
- Hull Valve Stems
- Alloy 625 Seawater Components



Control Rods and Seawater Hull Valve Stems

ISSUE

Unacceptable corrosion/wear of Alloy K500 control rods and valve stems

SOLUTION

Electrospark deposition of Alloy 400 to re-establish original dimensions



Hull Valve Stem





Steering and Diving Control Rod





Steering and Diving Control Rod





ESD Repair Status Control Rods and Valve Stems

- Optimized ESD Parameters
 - Metallographic Assessment of Coating Quality
 - Microhardness Measurements
 - Bend Testing



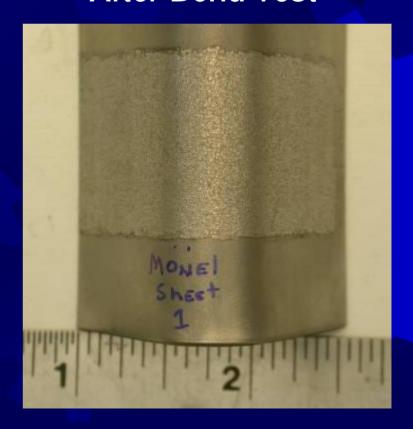
ESD Repair Status - Bend Testing



Before Bend Test



After Bend Test



ESD Repair Status Control Rods and Valve Stems

- Completed Corrosion Evaluation
 - Potentiodynamic Polarization
 - Seawater Immersion
 - GM9540P Accelerated Corrosion Testing

Developed Draft Process Instruction for Control Rod Repair





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Defect Measured 0.016" to 0.021" in Depth



Before Repair

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Defect Measured 0.012" to 0.017" in Depth



Before Repair









After Repair

Before Repair



Defect Measured 0.003" to 0.013" in Depth





After Repair

ESD Control Rod RepairFuture Work

- Metallographic Evaluation
- Seawater Corrosion Testing
- Sliding Wear Testing
- NDE Methods for Evaluating Repair Quality



Crevice Corrosion Repair of Alloy 625 Components

- Develop NSWCCD Capability to Deposit Crevice Corrosion Resistant Ni-Cr-Mo Alloys on 625 Substrates
 - Alloy C276
 - Alloy 59
 - Alloy 686

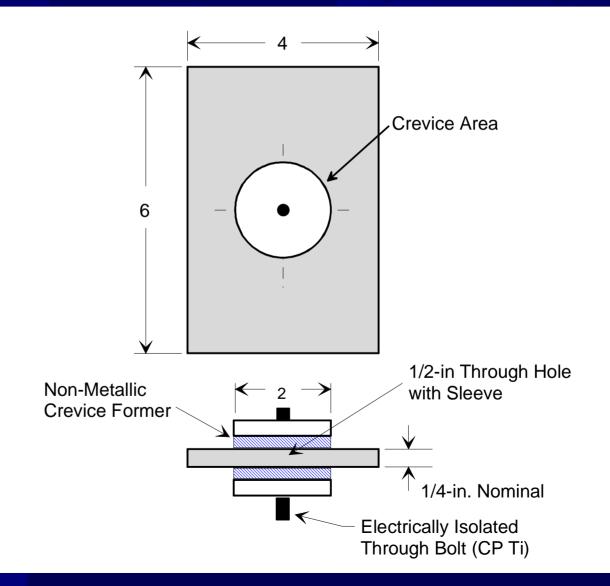


ESD of Ni-Cr-Mo Alloys on Alloy 625 Crevice Corrosion Testing

- ESD Coatings of Alloy 686, C276, and 59
 Applied on Alloy 625 Panels
- Control Specimens Include Uncoated Alloy 686, C276, 59, and 625
- Triplicate Specimens Exposed per Condition for 180 and 365 Days in Filtered, Natural Seawater Immersion

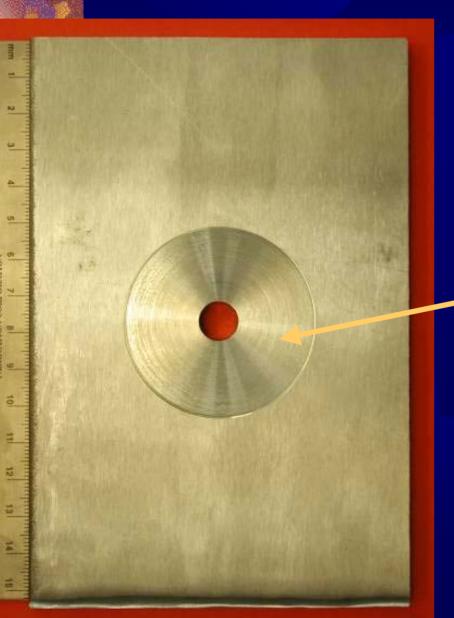


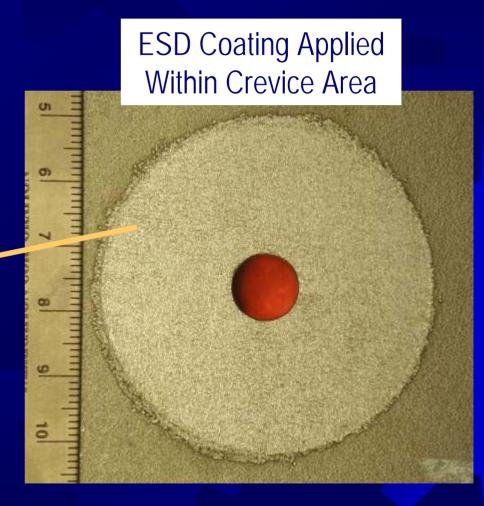
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ESD of Ni-Cr-Mo Alloys on Alloy 625





Crevice Corrosion Testing of ESD Ni-Cr-Mo Alloys on 625





Crevice Corrosion Testing of ESD Ni-Cr-Mo Alloys on 625

RESULTS TO DATE

- Crevice Panels in Test for 90 Days
- 5 of 6 Crevice Panels Containing ESD C276 in Crevice Area Show Evidence of Corrosion
- Remaining ESD and Control Panels Appear Corrosion-Resistant

